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- On 24 March 1947 HSU Lien-hsi (許連溪), Secretary General of the Tientsin Kuomintang Office, made a speech to his staff in which he stated that the I Shih Pao (local Catholic Social Welfare Daily News) is almost daily condemning the corruptness of the Kuomintang in its editorials; that parts must be recognized as true; but that the staff must take some action against the I Shih Pao for those criticisms which are not true. It is believed that YANG Kuang-ling (楊廣齡), Chief of the Propaganda Department, will take some action as demanded by HSU. YANG has the reputation of being the most extreme rightist in the Tientsin Kuomintang.

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- I Shih Pao has never received either written or oral warning from Chinese authorities, but it is believed that the President's Field Headquarters in Peiping has expressed dissatisfaction with and resentment against the Tientsin I Shih Pao for publishing certain editorials bitterly criticizing the government policies. One editorial was "Go Away, T. V. Soong", and another was one dealing with the recent Formosan rebellion in which the government's policy and administration in Formosa was ruthless criticized. According to the chief editor of I Shih Pao the paper is not afraid of political pressure and will continue to present editorials which will give the true picture.

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- On 27 March the local Newspaper Association received an order from the Social Bureau which instructed the Association to take great care in publishing the following news: (a) Military reports, in order to lessen confusion in the minds of people. (b) Economic statements, in order to prevent any false flux or chaos in the market. (c) Accidents involving United States Forces, in order to avoid any agitation which might be prepared by the Communist Party.

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